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<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 8 and 10-18 were previously withdrawn. Applicants have now withdrawn claims 6, 7, 9 and 40 as being directed to non-elected species, until generic claims are allowed.

Applicants have cancelled claims 19-39 as being drawn to a non-elected invention, subject to Applicants' right to present these claims in a divisional application. Claims 1-5 are currently pending in the application.

In the Office Action, claims 6, 7, 9 and 40 were objected to as not being provided with the proper status identifier. Specifically, the Examiner stated that the claims 6, 7, 9 and 40 were withdrawn. In response, Applicants have withdrawn claims 6, 7, 9 and 40. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

In view of these amendments to the claims and the remarks presented above, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. As such, the issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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